

Great pressure contrasts and active disturbances marked the first half of the month. The period from the 7th to the 10th was stormiest, and on the 9th the low in the northeastern Atlantic attained its maximum development, with a central isobar of 28.2 inches clearly identified in the data reported. At the same time a well defined high was present on the American coast, so that a pressure gradient of more than two inches existed between the Grand Banks and the northeastern Atlantic. The situations of the four days November 7 to 10 inclusive, have been chosen for reproduction as Charts VIII to XI, appended to this issue of the REVIEW.

The latter part of the month was, in general, more equable, but was not without several short periods of rather active disturbance. The storm developments of this period arose in several instances well southward in the Atlantic, one being a small but clearly identifiable depression appearing on the 21st southwest of the Azores, and another a similar disturbance, reaching its full development about the 23d, southwest of Bermuda. Both of these lows moved northward to unite with more extensive depressions over the northern Atlantic.

Gales and tropical disturbances.—As might have been expected from the general pressure situation outlined above, the stormiest part of the Atlantic during November was north of latitude 45° and east of longitude 30°, in the region which was most persistently under the influence of deep barometric depressions. However, gales occurred on a few days in other areas westward to the Grand Banks, and thence southwestward toward the Bahamas.

The stormiest days on the main trans-Atlantic routes were the 3d and the 7th to the 10th and the 13th to the 15th, inclusive. Winds of whole gale force were reported at places along the routes on each of those days, and hurricane force was encountered by the German ship *New York*, westbound near longitude 25°, on the night of the 8th, and also by the Belgian steamer *Emanuel Nobel*, eastbound on the 13th, in the same area. A number of liners reported delays in crossing due to the heavy weather of this period. A British schooner of 190 tons had to be abandoned by her crew of seven on November 17th in mid-Atlantic due to the long continued storminess of the preceding weeks.

At the beginning of the month a mild disturbance over the western Caribbean Sea produced a distinctive cyclonic circulation which was reported of gale force on the 2d by the Panamanian ship *San Blas*, but the disturbance failed to develop a definite center of low pressure. About a week later, another gale was experienced in the western Caribbean, and news dispatches reported extraordinary rains and storm damage in Honduras, but these appear to have been due to an intensification of the trade winds rather than to a true tropical disturbance.

Fog.—November was almost entirely free from fog over most of the Atlantic, Gulf, and Caribbean waters. Practically all fog reports at hand were received from the region adjacent to the American east coast north of Hatteras, where foggiess was experienced on 5 to 10 days, mainly during the latter half of the month.

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	From—	To—	Latitude	Longitude									
NORTH ATLANTIC OCEAN													
San Blas, Pan. S. S.	Castilla.....	Boston.....	16 40 N	85 30 W	Nov. 1	6 a., 2	Nov. 2	29.78	WSW	WNW, —	NW	WSW, 9	WSW-WNW.
Dresden, Ger. S. S.	Galway.....	New York.....	51 11 N	27 01 W	Nov. 3	Noon, 3	Nov. 3	29.04	WNW	—, 11	WNW	NW, 11	
Saccarappa, Am. S. S.	Sluiskill.....	Charleston.....	47 00 N	13 12 W	Nov. 2	7 a., 3	Nov. 4	29.32	SSW	SW, 9	W	SW, 10	SSW-WNW.
Seminole, Br. S. S.	Ellesmere Port.....	Baton Rouge.....	51 43 N	6 38 W	do.	Mdt., 3	do.	29.07	S	SW, 10	W	SW, 10	SW-W.
Santa Marta, Am. S. S.	Honduras.....	New York.....	17 00 N	86 57 W	Nov. 3	4 a., 4	do.	29.85	WNW	NW, 8	N	NW, 8	WNW-N.
Manistee, Br. S. S.	Liverpool.....	Jamaica.....	47 03 N	16 59 W	Nov. 5	8 p., 6	Nov. 9	28.97	S	WNW, 10	W	—, 10	WNW-NW.
Tachira, Am. S. S.	New York.....	Venezuela.....	25 41 N	68 48 W	Nov. 7	10 a., 7	Nov. 10	29.78	NE	NE, 8	ENE	NE, 9	NE-ENE.
Oranian, Br. S. S.	Halifax.....	Bristol Channel.....	47 21 N	49 47 W	do.	8 a., 7	Nov. 7	29.21	W	W, 3	NNW	NW, 10	
Emanuel Nobel, Belg. S. S.	Philadelphia.....	Manchester.....	43 55 N	45 22 W	Nov. 8	Mdt., 8	Nov. 9	29.57	NW	NW, 10	NW	—, 10	NW-NNW.
Braheholm, Swed. S. S.	Newcastle-on-Tyne.....	Portland, Me.....	55 20 N	29 54 W	do.	10 p., 8	Nov. 10	28.22	SE	NE, 4	NW	NW, 11	NE-N.
New York, Ger. S. S.	Cherbourg.....	New York.....	49 00 N	24 42 W	do.	2 p., 8	do.	28.74	S	—, 10	NW	—, 12	S-W-NW.
Kattegat, Ger. M. S.	Batum.....	Hamburg.....	46 40 N	6 31 W	Nov. 5	—, 8	Nov. 8	28.92	WSW	W, 8	N	WSW, 10	W-NW.
Southern Prince, Br. M. S.	New York.....	Rio de Janeiro.....	30 44 N	60 57 W	Nov. 8	4 a., 9	Nov. 9	29.77	ENE	NE, 9	SSE	NE, 9	NE-SE.
Carlier, Belg. S. S.	Antwerp.....	New York.....	49 20 N	21 10 W	do.	2 p., 9	Nov. 10	29.09	WSW	W, 11	WNW	NW, 11	WSW-WNW.
Clairton, Am. S. S.	New York.....	Manchester.....	50 50 N	17 00 W	Nov. 7	4 a., 10	do.	28.66	SSW	W, 7	W	W, 10	SSW-W.
Vincent, Am. S. S.	Havre.....	New York.....	48 25 N	11 02 W	Nov. 9	4 a., 10	Nov. 11	28.85	WSW	WSW, 10	WSW	WSW, 10	Steady.
Wytheville, Am. S. S.	Rotterdam.....	Boston.....	50 55 N	21 50 W	Nov. 12	5 a., 13	Nov. 14	28.78	S	—, 10	W	W, 10	S-SW-W.
Emanuel Nobel, Belg. S. S.	Philadelphia.....	Manchester.....	50 31 N	21 33 W	Nov. 13	—, 13	do.	28.88	S	S, 10	W	SSW, 12	
Europa, Ger. S. S.	Cherbourg.....	New York.....	49 17 N	23 14 W	Nov. 12	2 a., 13	Nov. 15	28.87	S	—, 10	ENE	WNW, 11	
Tuscarora, Br. S. S.	Glasgow.....	Galveston.....	50 27 N	18 08 W	Nov. 13	7 a., 13	Nov. 14	29.32	SSW	SSW, 11	S	—, 11	S-SW-W.
Schenectady, Am. S. S.	Copenhagen.....	Portland, Me.....	58 45 N	8 00 W	do.	4 p., 13	Nov. 21	29.19	SSE	S, 8	NW	NW, 11	S-SW.
Forthbank, Br. S. S.	New Orleans.....	Canal Zone.....	15 38 N	81 15 W	do.	4 p., 14	Nov. 14	29.84	ENE	E, 7	ESE	E, 9	E-ESE.
West Chataia, Br. S. S.	Galveston.....	Havre.....	44 16 N	44 15 W	Nov. 14	11 p., 14	do.	29.44	NNW	SSW, 10	NW	SSW, 10	SSW-NW.
Aquitania, Br. S. S.	New York.....	Southampton.....	41 32 N	56 21 W	Nov. 15	4 p., 15	Nov. 17	30.06	NW	NW, 8	NW	NW, 9	NW-NNW.
West Quechee, Am. S. S.	Hamburg.....	Galveston.....	40 20 N	22 44 W	Nov. 22	Noon, 22	Nov. 22	29.39	SSE	NE, 9	NNW	—, 9	SSE-E-NNW.
Ponce, Am. S. S.	New York.....	Porto Rico.....	31 15 N	70 18 W	Nov. 23	8 p., 23	Nov. 24	29.81	E	—, 9	ESE	ESE, 10	E-ESE.
Prusa, Am. S. S.	Galveston.....	Barcelona.....	30 42 N	68 42 W	do.	3 p., 23	do.	29.90	ENE	ENE, —	E	—, 10	
Gulf Hawk, Am. S. S.	Las Piedras.....	Philadelphia.....	26 19 N	75 16 W	Nov. 24	Noon, 24	do.	29.52	SW	SW, 7	N	W, 10	SW-W.
City of Hamburg, Am. S. S.	Hamburg.....	Baltimore.....	49 04 N	27 03 W	Nov. 22	Noon, 25	Nov. 27	29.24	S	W, 8	W	—, 10	W-NW.
Bremen, Ger. S. S.	Cherbourg.....	New York.....	47 06 N	37 18 W	Nov. 30	Mdt., 30	Dec. 1	28.98	SSE	—, 12	NW	—, 12	
Aden Maru, Jap. S. S.	Fowey, England.....	Portland, Me.....	46 53 N	38 55 W	Nov. 29	8 p., 3	do.	29.15	S	SW, 11	WNW	SW, 12	S-SW-WNW.
Bellflower, Am. S. S.	Avonmouth.....	Baltimore.....	51 35 N	23 43 W	Nov. 30	3 a., 30	Nov. 30	29.68	SSE	SSE, 8	NW	SSE, 10	SSE-NNW.

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	From—	To—	Latitude	Longitude									
NORTH PACIFIC OCEAN													
Hakushika Maru, Jap. S. S.	Milke.....	Port Townsend.	49 07 N	154 10 E	Oct. 30	Mdt., 3	Nov. 4	29.33	S.....	S, 9.....	S.....	S, 9.....	Steady.
Emp. of Asia, Can. S. S.	Vancouver.....	Yokohama.....	45 35 N	158 11 E	Nov. 1	2 a., 2.....	Nov. 2	29.50	SW.....	W, 8.....	W.....	WNW, 10.	SW-W-WNW.
Chief Capilano, Br. S. S.	do.....	do.....	48 15 N	166 45 E	Nov. 2	4 p., 2.....	Nov. 3	29.22	SW.....	WSW, 10.	NW.....	W, 11.....	WSW-W.
Illinois, Am. S. S.	Portland.....	do.....	47 03 N	164 10 E	do.....	1 p., 2.....	Nov. 4	29.32	S.....	W, 11.....	N.....	W, 11.....	WSW-W.
Golden Wall, Am. S. S.	Hong Kong.....	San Francisco	46 09 N	172 30 W	do.....	1 p., 2.....	do.....	29.60	W.....	WSW, 9.	WNW.....	WSW, 9.	WSW-W.
Tyndareus, Br. S. S.	Yokohama.....	Victoria.....	49 00 N	177 40 W	do.....	4 p., 4.....	do.....	29.06	WSW.....	WNW, 9.	WNW.....	W, 10.....	WNW-NW.
Melville Dollar, Am. S. S.	Cebu, P. I.....	Los Angeles..	39 27 N	140 01 W	do.....	2 a., 3.....	do.....	29.41	NE.....	N, 10.....	W.....	NNE, 11.	2 pts.
Satanta, Br. S. S.	Yokohama.....	San Pedro.....	44 43 N	178 18 W	do.....	8 a., 3.....	Nov. 5	29.37	WNW.....	W, 10.....	NW.....	W, 10.....	W-WNW.
Soyo Maru, Jap. M. S.	do.....	San Francisco	47 20 N	167 38 W	do.....	3 p., 3.....	do.....	29.11	W.....	WSW, 9.	W.....	WSW, 9.	WSW-SW.
Alaska, Am. S. S.	Seattle.....	Seward.....	Resurrection Bay, Alaska		Nov. 3	3 p., 4.....	Nov. 4	29.62	S.....	S. 6.....	W.....	S, 10.....	Variable.
Bellingham, Am. S. S.	Dairen.....	San Francisco	47 45 N	177 45 W	do.....	8 a., 3.....	Nov. 5	29.04	W.....	W, 8.....	NW.....	W, 9.....	W-WNW-W.
Ohioan, Am. S. S.	New York.....	Los Angeles..	15 20 N	93 25 W	Nov. 4	4 p., 4.....	Nov. 4	29.84	NW.....	NW, 5.....	NW.....	N, 9.....	WSW-W.
Pres. Jefferson, Am. S. S.	Victoria.....	Yokohama.....	52 31 N	158 48 W	Nov. 3	4 p., 4.....	Nov. 7	29.70	SSE.....	WSW, 5.	NW.....	NW, 8.....	Steady.
Lebec, Am. S. S.	Portland.....	San Pedro.....	45 38 N	124 17 W	Nov. 6	—.....	Nov. 6	29.94	S.....	S, 7.....	SSW.....	S, 8.....	Do.
Helen Whittier, Am. S. S.	Balboa.....	San Francisco	15 00 N	94 10 W	Nov. 8	5 p., 8.....	Nov. 9	29.87	NNW.....	NNW, 6.	NNW.....	NNW, 10.	Do.
Stuart Dollar, Am. S. S.	Philippines..	Los Angeles..	15 15 N	128 00 E	Nov. 9	5 a., 9.....	do.....	29.68	NNE.....	E, 11.....	S.....	E, 11.....	ENE-E.
Hayo Maru, Jap. S. S.	Muroran.....	William Head	45 06 N	161 43 E	Nov. 10	11 p., 12.	Nov. 13	29.55	S.....	NNW, 10.	SW.....	NNW, 11.	SE-S-WSW.
Pres. Cleveland, Am. S. S.	Yokohama.....	Seattle.....	48 09 N	173 23 E	do.....	6 p., 12.	Nov. 14	29.15	SE.....	SE, 9.....	W.....	SSE, 9.....	SE-S-WSW.
Tamaha, Br. S. S.	Hong Kong.....	San Pedro.....	22 00 N	116 14 E	Nov. 11	6 a., 11.....	Nov. 11	29.52	ENE.....	NNE, 10.	SE.....	NE, 11.....	NNE-NE.
Melmay, Br. S. S.	Portland.....	Hankow.....	34 51 N	154 47 E	do.....	2 p., 11.....	Nov. 12	29.73	SSW.....	NW, 9.....	NW.....	NW, 9.....	SW-NW.
Iowa, Am. S. S.	Japan.....	San Francisco	41 48 N	179 55 W	do.....	Noon, 12.....	do.....	29.63	S.....	SE, 7.....	SE.....	S, 9.....	S-SE.
Meigs, Am. S. S.	Manila.....	do.....	38 13 N	135 11 W	Nov. 14	6 a., 14.....	Nov. 14	29.93	NW.....	NW, 8.....	NNW.....	NW, 8.....	Steady.
Golden River, Am. S. S.	Hong Kong.....	do.....	39 13 N	153 06 E	Nov. 17	1 p., 17.....	Nov. 17	29.59	W.....	NE, 9.....	NNE.....	NE, 9.....	W-NE.
Akagisan Maru, Jap. M. S.	Yokohama.....	do.....	45 57 N	172 23 W	Nov. 18	6 a., 19.....	Nov. 20	29.37	NE.....	W, —.....	SW.....	WSW, 9.	ENE-W-WSW.
Lebec, Am. S. S.	San Pedro.....	Seattle.....	40 40 N	124 38 W	Nov. 22	2 p., 22.....	Nov. 23	29.99	NNW.....	N, 7.....	N.....	N, 8.....	Steady.
Michigan, Am. S. S.	Tabaco, P. I.	San Francisco	26 00 N	137 20 E	do.....	8 p., 23.....	Nov. 24	29.31	ESE.....	S, 10.....	NW.....	S, 10.....	S-SW.
Stuart Dollar, Am. S. S.	Philippines..	Los Angeles..	38 30 N	178 30 W	Nov. 23	4 p., 23.....	do.....	29.88	SE.....	SE, 4.....	NW.....	NNW, 12.	NNW.
Defiance, Am. M. S.	Shanghai.....	San Pedro.....	31 26 N	133 00 E	do.....	Mdt., 23.....	do.....	29.59	NE.....	ENE, 11.	N.....	ENE, 11.	NE-ENE.
San Luis Maru, Jap. M. S.	Kudamatsu..	Los Angeles..	39 50 N	164 12 W	do.....	6 p., 23.....	do.....	29.11	SSE.....	SSE, 9.....	W.....	SSE, 9.....	SSE-S.
Golden River, Am. S. S.	Hong Kong.....	San Francisco	46 35 N	170 19 W	do.....	2 p., 25.....	Nov. 26	29.13	N.....	S, 11.....	SW.....	SSE, 12.....	SSE-S.
Emp. of Russia, Can. S. S.	Vancouver.....	Yokohama.....	52 30 N	157 00 W	Nov. 24	7 p., 24.....	Nov. 25	29.71	SSE.....	SE, 9.....	SW.....	SE, 9.....	SE-S.
Do.....	do.....	do.....	52 00 N	168 00 W	Nov. 25	8 a., 25.....	Nov. 27	29.76	SW.....	S, 11.....	SW.....	S, 11.....	S, 11.....
Reijo Maru, Jap. S. S.	Muroran.....	Juan de Fuca.	49 03 N	170 35 W	do.....	6 p., 25.....	Nov. 26	29.62	SE.....	S, 10.....	SW.....	SSW, 11.	6 pts.
Oregon, Am. S. S.	Otaru.....	San Francisco	50 25 N	171 30 W	do.....	8 a., 25.....	do.....	29.44	SSE.....	SE, 11.....	W.....	S, 12.....	SE-S.
Hakubasan Maru, Jap. M. S.	Yokohama.....	do.....	45 10 N	175 33 W	do.....	5 a., 25.....	Nov. 27	29.63	SSW.....	SSW, 10.	W.....	SSW, 10.	1 pt.
Stuart Dollar, Am. S. S.	Philippines..	Los Angeles..	38 18 N	152 00 W	Nov. 29	9 p., 29.....	Nov. 30	30.05	N.....	N, 8.....	NNE.....	N, 10.....	N-NNE.
Defiance, Am. M. S.	Shanghai.....	San Pedro.....	41 24 N	163 30 E	do.....	3 a., 30.....	do.....	29.09	ESE.....	—, 8.....	NNW.....	NW, 11.	SSW-W.
Golden Sun, Am. S. S.	Dairen.....	San Francisco	38 24 N	177 18 W	Nov. 30	Mdt., 30.....	do.....	29.77	S.....	NW, 8.....	NW.....	NW, 8.....	W-NW.
SOUTH ATLANTIC OCEAN													
Maria De Larrinaga, Br. S. S.	England.....	Naochoea, Argentina.	Naochoea		Nov. 4	1 a., 4.....	Nov. 4	29.51	SW.....	SW, —.....	NNW.....	SW, 10.....	SW-W.
Persier, Belg. S. S.	Buenos Aires	Santos.....	25 54 S	48 38 W	Nov. 7	4 a., 8.....	Nov. 8	29.43	NE.....	NNE, 9.....	NW.....	NNE, 9.....	NNE-NW.
Brasilien, Dan. S. S.	Hull.....	Buenos Aires.	31 20 S	48 40 W	Nov. 15	4 a., 16.....	Nov. 17	29.24	NE.....	WSW, 10.	SW.....	WSW, 10.	NW-W-S.

NORTH PACIFIC OCEAN

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Atmospheric pressure, November, 1931.—The average center of the Aleutian Low in November was far to the westward of its October position, and lay over Bering Sea (St. Paul 29.50 inches, and Dutch Harbor 29.55 inches). At both these stations the pressure averages were below the normal for the month. Winter conditions of pressure, with some extremely great and rapid fluctuations in the barometer from day to day, were common to the whole Aleutian region. Instances of this great pressure variability are shown in the p. m. barometer readings at Dutch Harbor from the 23d to the 27th, which are as follows: 23d, 29.90 inches; 24th, 28.60; 25th, 29.68; 26th, 28.86; 27th, 29.80. Pressures above normal were found along the American coast from Kodiak eastward and southward to Tatoosh Island.

Fairly stable high pressure, with the average crest of the anticyclone over the eastern part of the ocean, prevailed in middle latitudes, while a continuing belt of moderately high pressure extended westward along lower middle latitudes to near the Asiatic coast. Here it expanded to include Japanese waters and the eastern seas of China. As usual to the season, in the Japanese region the anticyclone was considerably broken by the intrusion of frequent lows.

The following table gives barometric data for several island and coast stations in west longitudes, including Point Barrow on the Arctic Ocean.

TABLE 1.—Averages, departures, and extremes of atmospheric pressure at sea level, North Pacific Ocean and adjacent waters, November, 1931, at selected stations

Stations	Average pressure	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date
	Inches	Inch	Inches		Inches	
Point Barrow ^{1,2}	30.00	+0.01	30.92	13th.....	29.20	28th.
Dutch Harbor ¹	29.55	-0.04	30.50	12th.....	28.60	3d.
St. Paul ^{1,2}	29.50	-0.09	30.40	12th.....	28.40	3d.
Kodiak ¹	29.68	+0.12	30.36	24th.....	28.02	5th.
Midway Island ¹	30.05	-0.03	30.24	29th.....	29.70	17th.
Honolulu ¹	29.99	-0.03	30.12	4th.....	28.85	26th.
Juneau ¹	29.95	+0.19	30.59	25th.....	29.20	1st.
Tatoosh Island ¹	30.02	+0.05	30.44	21st.....	29.28	16th.
San Francisco ^{1,2}	30.05	-0.04	30.38	19th.....	29.67	14th.
San Diego ^{1,2}	30.00	-0.02	30.20	19th.....	29.60	21st.

¹ P. m. observations in averages: a. m. and p. m. in extremes.

² For 29 days.

³ A. m. and p. m. observations.

⁴ Corrected to 24-hour mean.

Cyclones and storminess.—November, 1931, may be called a stormy month on the North Pacific. Moderate to intense progressive cyclones, as well as oscillating storms of the Aleutian Low type, swept upper and middle